

REMARKS

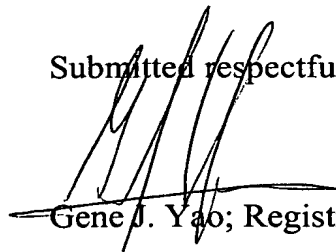
The above amendments were made in view of a telephone conference with the Examiner on February 15, 2005, which is gratefully acknowledged.

During the telephone conference, the Examiner advised that his rejection of Claims 1 to 47, under Section 112, second paragraph, may be overcome by replacing the term "C₃-C₉ heteroaryl" with the phrase - - cyclic or bicyclic, aromatic assemblage of three to nine carbon atoms and from 1 to 3 nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur atoms - -. This amendment has been made. Support for this amendment is in the application at page 9, lines 23 to 26, and in the claims as filed originally.

Applicants submit respectfully also that the Examiner's above-referenced rejection should not apply to Claims 6 to 11, 19 to 24, 29, 31, and 32 to 34 as the recitation objected to by the Examiner does not apply to these claims. Claims 6 to 11, 19 to 24, 29, and 31 each define an R₁ group which does not involve the above recitation. Claims 32 to 34 define specific compounds. Accordingly, such claims should be deemed allowable.

An early and favorable reconsideration of the rejections and an early and favorable allowance of all of the pending claims are requested respectfully.

Submitted respectfully,



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